



# CAREER and TECHNICAL EDUCATION UPDATE November 1, 2012

## **CTE Fall Data Collection Continues**

The fall CTE data collection began on October 1 and ends on December 31, 2012. The fall CTE data collection is a follow-up to last year's Spring CTE data collection. Students identified as CTE Concentrators who graduated last year (2011-2012 school year) must be contacted between October 1 and December 31 and have their current post-graduation status identified in the Achievement In Montana (AIM) Infinite Campus data system. Schools who receive funding from the Carl D. Perkins federal grant program are required to complete this fall follow-up collection.

Instructions for completing the CTE data collection are located on the OPI Secondary CTE web page under 'Data Collections' and located here: [http://opi.mt.gov/programs/CTAE/CTE.html#gpm1\\_6](http://opi.mt.gov/programs/CTAE/CTE.html#gpm1_6). PLEASE NOTE: Be sure to verify the list of CTE Concentrators from what your district submitted the previous spring. Any additions, corrections, or changes to the list of CTE Concentrators must be made no later than November 15, 2012, to be accurately reflected in federal reporting and used to compute Perkins Performance Indicators.

Questions regarding the CTE data collection should be directed to the AIM Helpdesk at 1.877.424.6681 (toll-free) or e-mail [opiainhelp@mt.gov](mailto:opiainhelp@mt.gov). Questions regarding Carl D. Perkins should be directed to Diana Fiedler, Perkins Accountability Specialist at 406.444.9019 or e-mail [dfiedler@mt.gov](mailto:dfiedler@mt.gov).

## **Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources**

No update at this time.

### **FFA**

No update at this time.

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## **Business Education**

### **Montana Business Educator Named Teacher of the Year**

Shelly Stanton, business educator and BPA chapter advisor at Billings West High School, was named 2012 Teacher of the Year by the Montana Association for Career and Technical Education.

The Montana Association for Career and Technical Education held the 2012 Montana ACTE Institute in Billings, October 18-19, at the Billings Crowne Plaza and Huntley Project High School. During the Awards Luncheon Thursday afternoon, Montana ACTE honored last year's retirees and presented this year's awards program.

Shelly competed against other teachers from Montana's career and technical education program areas and will now advance to represent Montana at the ACTE Region 5 conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, in April 2013.

In addition to Shelly as the Montana Business Education Association nominee for Montana ACTE Teacher of the Year, Park City business educator Doug Andersen was also an award nominee for Montana ACTE New Teacher of the Year.

Congratulations to both Doug and Shelly and thank you for your contributions to the classroom and the business education profession.

### **Montana Business Educators Awarded during MBEA Business Meeting**

The Montana Business Education Association (MBEA) held its annual business meeting Thursday, October 18 as part of the 2012 Montana ACTE Institute in Billings.

MBEA Past President Regina Wood, Park High School, recognized MBEA members who retired at the end of the 2011-2012 school year, Glenn Strader from Wolf Point High School, and also presented MBEA awards to two outstanding professionals.

The first award presented was for Outstanding Young (New) Teacher. This year, the award was presented to Nicole (Schultz) Bogunovich from Billings Senior High School where she also serves as the Business Professionals of America chapter advisor. In addition to her Billings Senior teaching and BPA chapter advising duties, Nicole as teaches computer applications courses at Montana State University-Billings' Garfield Community Resource Center.

The 2012 MBEA Outstanding Secondary Business Teacher of the Year award was presented to DeAnne Weeks of Culbertson High School. DeAnne has taught at both the elementary and high school levels for the Culbertson School District and also advises the Culbertson BPA chapter.

Thank you MBEA retirees for your years of dedication, inspiration, leadership, and professionalism and congratulations to our two truly-deserving award winners.

The 2013 Montana ACTE Institute will be held in Bozeman, October 17-18, at the Best Western GranTree.

### **Leadership Team for Montana's Business Education Professionals Selected for 2013**

The new officer team for the Montana Business Education Association was selected during the 2012 MBEA Business Meeting during last week's 2012 Montana ACTE Institute. The 2013 MBEA officers include President: Elaine Stedman, Sidney; President Elect: Doug Andersen, Park City; Vice President: Brad Mehr, Ennis; Secretary: Beth Lawrence, Garfield County District High School (Jordan); Treasurer: Bertha Kirschten, Circle; Membership Director: Linda Cotton, Cascade; Past President: Scott Anderson, Baker.

### **New CTE Professionals Workshop**

The Career & Technical Education division's specialists and staff presented a New Career and Technical Education



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(CTE) Professionals Workshop at Montana State University-Billings' Downtown Conference Center Wednesday, October 17, 2012.

Secondary career and technical education professionals, as well as school administrators and counselors, from around the state attended the free one-day workshop to gain information on the many hot topics of career and technical education at the state and national levels. Those in attendance represented various career and technical education areas including business education, family and consumer sciences education, and industrial technology education.

Attendees participated in two joint morning sessions addressing Carl Perkins and state funding and the Career Clusters, Big Sky Pathways, and various Statewide Articulation (START) agreements. The morning joint sessions were followed by an area-specific breakout session covering professional organizations, professional development opportunities at the state, regional, and national levels, and resources for curriculum development and classroom management.

The afternoon focused on career and technical student organizations (CTSOs) and providing new advisors with tips, tricks, and resources for developing a local chapter and implementing a successful program of activities.

The workshop was a great success with quality information being passed on to the classroom teachers and with quality discussions during the sessions. The workshop also provide an excellent venue for new career and technical education professionals to network and build professional relationships they can draw upon as they continue their careers within the career and technical education professional.

## **Business Professionals of America**

### **Business Professionals of America is an official Certifying Organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award**

Business Professionals of America local chapters and members do more than prepare for successful careers. When it comes to serving the community, BPA members are on the front lines, pouring thousands of hours into making their community and world a better place.

Officially, Business Professionals of America encourages and recognizes these efforts through a variety of programs. The Torch Awards program, the new Service Learning Individual award, the Special Olympics, Community Action, Community Relief, Environmental Action/Awareness, and Safety Awareness awards all help our members and chapters identify areas of need and take action to improve their community.

Business Professionals of America and its members will continue to lead the way in this area. We are proud to announce that Business Professionals of America has been selected and approved as an official Certifying Organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award.

The President's Volunteer Service Award is a national award created from the White House. The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation (the Council) was established in 2003 to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making in our communities and encourage more people to serve. The Council created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes individuals, families, and groups that have achieved a certain standard—measured by the number of hours of service over a 12-month period or cumulative hours earned over the course of a lifetime.

Business Professionals of America members are now eligible for this award and can be approved for it via Business Professionals of America as their Certifying Organization. Members can begin their pursuit of the award by tracking their volunteer hours online. The hours do not have to be only for volunteer work in support of BPA;



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they can be for a wide range of projects and service.

"We applaud your commitment to volunteer service," a representative of the President's Council on Service wrote in a message to Business Professionals of America. "We look forward to assisting you in recognizing volunteers through the Presidents recognition program." BPA is proud to be a part of the crucial task of encouraging and recognizing BPA members for their dedication to a better world.

## **Montana DECA**

In November, DECA celebrates "DECA Month", a time for chapters to concentrate on membership recruitment and setting the tone for the entire year. Already this year, the chapters who have submitted registration have increased their membership over last year. Throughout this month, we will strive to have all the chapters across the state do the same so we can accomplish fantastic feats in 2012-2013!

Some of the ways DECA chapters can choose to celebrate "DECA Month" is to participate in various DECA Membership Campaigns, Global Entrepreneurship Week, the DECA Community Service Campaign and the DECA Advocacy Campaign. You can learn more about all of these events by visiting <http://www.deca.org/events>.

New this year is the DECA Idea Challenge 2012. This is a fast-paced competition that challenges secondary and college student teams to find new use for a common, everyday item while creating the most value possible. The 2012 item will remain a mystery until November 7, when DECA will announce the item and officially launch the competition. Visit <http://www.gewusa.org/challenge> for more information.

Also in November, the ICDC Pin Design Contest gets under way. Students (DECA and non-DECA), can submit a computer graphic design to enter the contest. The student who submits the best design will win \$50 and their design will be used for the pin DECA students trade at the National DECA Conference in April 2013. Please see your local DECA Chapter Advisor for more information.

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## **Family and Consumer Sciences Education**

Over 40 Montana Family and Consumer Sciences educators attended the annual Montana Association for Career & Technical Education (Montana ACTE) Fall Institute in Billings October 17 – 18. FCS educators attended workshops on such topics as Best Practices in the FCS Classroom, ethics education, gluten free cooking for the classroom, web 2.0 technologies and more. The Montana Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Educators (MAFCSE), which is the name of the FCS Division of Montana ACTE, also held their annual business meeting during the conference. Lindy Hockenbary of Bozeman was elected as President-Elect; she joins the MAFCSE officer team of President Becky Bruce of Boulder and Past-President Karen Boardman of Helena. The three of them will work to plan the FCS division activities for the next Montana ACTE Fall Institute which will be held in Bozeman on October 17 – 18, 2013. Also during the business meeting, two FCS teachers were honored with awards: Becky Bruce, Boulder, received the New Teacher of the Year Award, and Joanna Krogstad,



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Manhattan, received the Teacher of the Year Award. Congratulations to two deserving and hard working teachers!

### **Montana FCCLA**

From September 30 until October 3, Charlie Smart, State Officer of Competitive Events from Sheridan and his chapter adviser, Roxane Shammel traveled to Washington, DC for National FCCLA's Capitol Leadership Training. They joined youth leaders from across the country at the nation's capitol to develop their leadership skills, learn about government relations, and meet with our elected officials.

The dates for Montana FCCLA's second Leadership Institute Training have been changed to November 16 – 18 in Bozeman. For more information, click on the Leadership Institute Information and Registration PDF found here: <http://www.mtfcla.org/events.html>.

District and state officers are busy planning for each district's Fall Meeting. For more information on your district's meeting, please contact the state officer from your district. Here are the dates and locations:

<b>District</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
1	November 13	Choteau
2	December 4	Bozeman
3	November 13	Havre
4	<i>October 2</i>	<i>Shepherd</i>
5	November 6	Glendive
6/7	November 28	Missoula
8	<i>October 10</i>	<i>Glasgow</i>
9	November 6	Lewistown
10	November 7	Billings
11	November 6	Dillon

Remember to follow [Montana FCCLA](#) on Facebook!

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## **Health Sciences Education**

### **Big Sky's Health Science Academy uses hands-on approach to teaching**

A great newspaper article was recently published in the Missoulian about Big Sky High School's health curriculum. Check it out at this link:

[http://missoulian.com/news/local/big-sky-s-health-science-academy-uses-hands-on-approach/article\\_7bbf3518-15ab-11e2-90da-0019bb2963f4.html#.UIVsTij6wQ0.email](http://missoulian.com/news/local/big-sky-s-health-science-academy-uses-hands-on-approach/article_7bbf3518-15ab-11e2-90da-0019bb2963f4.html#.UIVsTij6wQ0.email)

### **Montana HOSA**



HOSA-Future Health Professionals conducted Fall Leadership training for all chapter officers and advisors in Helena on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. Helena High hosted the event and twelve chapters were in attendance. Student leaders learned about writing their chapter's program of work, fundraising options, encouraging membership growth, leadership & teamwork, and competitive event updates. During the same timeframe, chapter advisors learned about common career technical core standards, career counseling strategies, MCIS updates and more.

Here's to your good health!

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## **Industrial, Trades and Technology Education**

### **Local Students National Champions in Restoration Competition**

Students in the Automotive Service Excellence certification program at Paris Gibson Education Center have a lot to celebrate after being recently named national champions in Dupli-Color's Restoration Challenge called Generation Next.

The students in the Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certification program became finalists in Dupli-Color's Restoration Challenge called Generation Next. The project is restoring a 1966 Ford Mustang seized by Great Falls Police in a drug bust. We recently learned these local students are the national champions.

ASE program teacher, Joe Wilkins, says, "all along I thought we had the best project in terms of theme". The theme revolves around kids helping to fight drugs on the street by doing something positive with the car. CMR senior, Patrick Beer, says, "It's a great cause. I'm glad it's going towards that than just auctioning it off for some big-shot to drive around in".

Once complete, the car will be returned to Great Falls Police to help fight the war on drugs. At some point in time, it will likely be auctioned off and the proceeds will also go to fight drug abuse. The contest was based on a very close Facebook vote between two other schools. Beer says even in the last week the voting fluctuated so much that it was hard to pinpoint a leader and in the end their win was by a narrow margin. He says, "I was really ecstatic to hear it; it's my first scholarship towards college, so it was pretty fun". Beer attributes the win to the rallying support of community members to continually vote for their project.

Each of the 30 students in the program is receiving a \$10,000 scholarship to Ohio Technical College. Beer wants



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to be a diesel mechanic and although he hasn't decided on a college, the scholarship provides options.

City Motors President, Robert Oakland, says, "The automotive industry nationally needs all these young people in our business and so we are very interested in that they get the right education, the right schooling, so they can do a good job for us and for our customers". City Motors has supported the ASE program since its inception. They donated roughly \$3,000 in appearance pieces to the Mustang like tires and upholstery.

Many mechanics working at City Motors graduated from a program like the one at Paris Gibson. This competition offers the students a rare real life opportunity to build a car from the bottom up. Wilkins says, "It has given us an opportunity to do something that's totally live and the end product is going to have to drive away". Beer adds, "Even the class, in general, has given me one leg up on everyone else when I get going to college".

The goal is to have the car finished by the end of the school year, but it's a long process. Right now, extensive irreparable rust damage is forcing students to make custom parts. However, you cannot rush a work of art. Working on engines is what Beer loves about mechanics. He says, "You get it in, you hear it crank over as you're sitting in the driver's seat and when you hear it going that's the sense of accomplishment that you strive for".

In addition to the \$10,000 scholarships, the students have won a DJ dance party, a \$5,000 shopping spree at O'Reilly's Auto Parts, and Dupli-Color will be providing the paint needed for the Mustang.

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